



Sahuarro Weekly Update



"Where neighbors help neighbors build community."

Vice Mayor Steve Frate, Glendale Arizona

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Help Shape Your City

Glendale's boards and commissions assist the City Council in making important policy decisions that impact the community. Please consider volunteering for one of these citizen advisory groups.

For a look at what is entailed in serving, [click here](#) to view a short video. Then visit www.glendaleaz.com/boardsandcommissions for more information or to apply online.

The City Council recently appointed several residents to serve on advisory boards and commissions. Many thanks to **Victoria Rogen** of the Sahuarro District who has volunteered to serve on the Aviation Advisory Commission.



Important Web and Online Payment System Notification. The city's website as well as online and phone payment systems will be unavailable on Thursday, Nov. 11, from 6:30 to 7:30 a.m. due to regularly scheduled maintenance. This affects www.glendaleaz.com and online and phone payments including utility billing, court-related fine and traffic payments. Please plan to make your payments prior to or after this time. Thank you.

Veteran's Day Holiday. Glendale city offices and all three libraries will be closed on Thursday, Nov. 11 in observance of Veteran's Day. All households' scheduled garbage and recycling will be shifted one day due to the holiday. The Glendale Municipal Landfill will be closed. For more information about the city's sanitation services, please call 623-930-2660. For details on other city schedule changes and closures, [click here](#).

Community Housing Division Earns "High Performer" Status. The city of Glendale's Community Housing Program recently received notice it has been rated a "high performer" for the 16th consecutive year by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the city's administration of HUD's Section Eight Housing Choice Voucher Program.

Glendale's Community Housing Program assists 4,340 individuals – nearly half of them children under the age of 18 – in its Section Eight program and works with 840 landlords across the city. For more information about the Section Eight Housing Program and other housing options overseen by Glendale's Housing Program, [click here](#) or call 623-930-2180.

Training for Home Remodelers – Learn How to Build a Patio. The city of Glendale is offering a free class, "Patios, easy as 1, 2, 3," which will teach participants how to build a patio. The class is from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 17, at Glendale City Hall Council Chambers, 5850 W. Glendale Ave.

Participants will learn the step-by-step process of obtaining a building permit for a patio, including the permit costs and what plans must be submitted to secure a permit. At the end of the class, there will be a demonstration of how to build a patio, including a showcase of what materials are needed (i.e. lumber, connectors, hammers and nails).

The class is free and parking is available in the adjacent garage. To reserve a spot in the class, call 623-930-2800. [Read more.](#)

Camelback Ranch – Glendale. [Camelback-Ranch Glendale](#), winner of a 2010 WESTMARC Best of the West Award in the "Attractions, Entertainment & Destinations" category, is offering Glendale residents the opportunity to purchase tickets before they go on sale to the public.

To purchase tickets for the Los Angeles Dodgers and Chicago White Sox upcoming spring training season before they go on sale to the general public, Glendale residents can simply visit dodgers.com or whitesox.com from November 24 - December 3 and click on Single Game Tickets. Use "Glendale" as the promotional code when prompted. For more information, call 623-302-5000.

Construction Information

Northbound Loop 101 closed overnight at Union Hills Drive

Earlier this week overnight closures of Loop 101 (Agua Fria Freeway) began at Union Hills Drive for continuing work on the bridge. Northbound Loop 101 closes again tonight as work continues.

- 11 pm. Friday - 6 a.m. Saturday (Nov. 5)
- Detour: Traffic will exit and re-enter Loop 101 using ramps at Union Hills Drive.

Also, beginning Monday (Nov. 8) crews will mill and pave southbound 83rd Avenue in between Beardsley Road and Village Parkway. Please merge carefully and obey the posted speed limit.

- 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. daily Monday (Nov. 8) to Friday (Nov. 12)

Work continues next week on the auxiliary lane between 59th and 35th avenue.

- Eastbound Loop 101 narrowed to two lanes between 59th and 35th avenues for paving and striping. Please merge carefully and allow for extra travel time.
- 9 p.m. Tuesday - 1 a.m. Wednesday (Nov. 10)

Longterm Restrictions

Southbound Loop 101 on-ramp at 75th Avenue closed through late November to reconstruct the ramp.

- DETOUR: Drivers may take 75th Avenue south to Bell Road and west to Loop 101.

[Click here](#) for more information.

Around Town

[Click here](#) for the City Council meeting schedule.

Job Searching Open Labs. Let a human resources professional assist you with your job search at the library's Job Searching Labs. Labs are scheduled now through December at the Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St. and Foothills Branch, 19055 N. 57th Ave. [Click here](#) for more information.

VIN Etching Event. Bring your vehicle and proof of ownership to Arrowhead Towne Center on Saturday, Nov. 6 for free Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) etching. VIN etching is the process of permanently etching a vehicle's 17-digit vehicle ID number on each piece of Window Glass on your vehicle to deter auto theft. Event hours are 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. For more information, call (623) 930-2571.

Recycle Your Electronics on Saturday, Nov. 13. Now it's easy to recycle out-of-date electronics – from phones to TVs – at the second annual e-waste event from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 13 on the campus of Glendale Community College (GCC).

The event is being held in partnership with the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality, Westech Recyclers and GCC. For more information, [click here](#) or call 623-930-2660, or visit www.glendaleaz.com/sanitation.

Glendale's Holiday Open House. Start your holiday shopping in Historic Downtown Glendale at the Annual Holiday Open House on Saturday, November 13, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Enjoy spectacular shopping, delicious dining, museums and plenty of free parking. A highlight to the event this year will be "For the Love of Roses," in which the Glendale Rose Society will be on hand to create an extra special treat for shoppers!

For more information, call Glendale's Convention and Visitors Bureau at 623-930-4500 or visit www.VisitGlendale.com. For more information about the Rose Society of Glendale, visit www.roseglendale.com.

Training to Help HOAs Foster Community Harmony. Glendale is offering specialized training to HOA board members on how to build community harmony. "Community Harmony" will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 17 at the Glendale Adult Center, Room 108, located at 5970 W. Brown Street.

The class is open to both HOA board members and residents living in an area governed by a HOA. Registration for this class is due no later than Wednesday, Nov. 10. Class size is limited to the first 35 residents. For more information or to register, [click here](#) or call 623-930-2916.

Glendale Coffeehouse. Glendale Coffeehouse features two sets of area musicians and is held on the third Thursday evening of the month. On Nov. 18, Dave and Barbara Baumann, contemporary folk, and Robby Roberson, acoustic originals and covers will perform. Join us for this free program at 6:30 p.m. in the Main Library auditorium, 5959 W. Brown St. For more information, call 623-930-3573.

Glendale Glitters Kickoff. What is synonymous with holiday fun on Thanksgiving weekend in the Valley of the Sun? Glendale Glitters! The stunning display of 1.5 million lights will illuminate sixteen blocks of Historic Downtown Glendale, making it the largest free holiday light display in Arizona, and it all kicks off Nov. 26-27 from 5-10 p.m. each evening. Free admission and free shuttles makes Glendale Glitters one of the best-loved festivals in Arizona year after year.

[Read more.](#)

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